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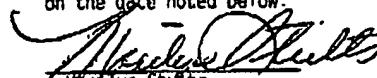
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT  
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This is responsive to the Final Office Action dated  
September 23, 2004, the term for response to which is extended by  
three months by Petition filed concurrently herewith to March 23,  
2005.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims  
which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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